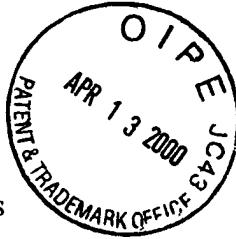


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This is a Request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional under 37 CFR 1.53(d) of prior application Serial No. 09/362,624, filed on July 20, 1999, which is a Continuation-in-Part of International Application No. PCT/GB98/00170.

entitled SIGNALLING SYSTEM

by the following named inventors:

| Inventor        | Citizenship    | Residence & Post Office Address  |
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1. ☐ Enter the amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 CFR 1.116, but unentered in the prior application.
2. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

Filing fee calculated on basis of claims existing in prior application as amended at 1 and 2 above.

| For                       | Number Filed  | Number Extra | Rate      | Calculations      |
|---------------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Total Claims              | <u>42</u> -20 | <u>22</u>    | x \$ 9.00 | <u>\$ 198.00</u>  |
| Independent Claims        | <u>3</u> -3   | <u>0</u>     | x \$39.00 | <u>          </u> |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS |               | + \$260.00   |           |                   |

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Total of above Calculations \$ 543.00

3. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1378.
4. ☒ A check in the amount of \$543.00 is enclosed.

5. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).

a. ☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

6. ☒ Small entity status is claimed. A verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status is:  
☐ enclosed ☒ was filed in the prior application and status is still proper and desired.

7. ☒ Priority of following Application(s) is claimed under 35 USC 119:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Serial No.</u> | <u>Filed</u>       |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Great Britain  | 9701165.4         | January 21, 1997   |
| Great Britain  | 9717967.5         | August 22, 1997    |
| Great Britain  | 9720037.2         | September 19, 1997 |
| Great Britain  | 9815899.1         | July 21, 1998      |
| Great Britain  | 9825954.2         | November 26, 1998  |

8. ☐ Prior application assigned to: \_\_\_\_\_

9. ☐ The Power of Attorney in the prior application includes the following:

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10. ☒ Also enclosed:

☒ Information Disclosure Statement  
☐ Petition for Extension of Time  
☐ \_\_\_\_\_

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The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.

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Date: April 13, 2000

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